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CHAPTER A
ARMED FORCES1. RecruitingDecrease of service

[redacted] army privates
covering a period of service of 18 months, will be released in July 56, while simul-
taneously the 1935 Class will be drafted.

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2. AIR FORCE

[redacted] the military airport of TIRANE has been transferred to
the airfield of KUTSOVA(sic) and that a minimum of ground personnel has been left.
[redacted] a very small number of jets is temporarily stationed in the air-
field of TIRANE.

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A military airfield is under construction in the area of KASSIARI village (CL 9379).
According to rumours it will be the largest airfield in Albania. Other details un-
known.

CHAPTER BMINISTRY OF INTERIOR & PARAMILITARY FORCES

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BORDER ARMY

A post of 15-20 men, under an officer is located at (DK 505378). Other details unknown.

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SECURITY AND SPECIAL FORCESState Police

The headquarters of the Police force of the area of the TIRANA Komitet(sic) is
situated on DIBRA str. in TIRANE. TIRANE in so far as the organization of the Police
is concerned is divided in 3 districts. Each district maintains one police precinct
called RAJON.

Following is a list of the Police precincts:

- Rajon No 1 on KAVAJE Str.
- " No 2 " DURRES "
- " No 3 near the new market place.

A special po/llice section of the fire-brigade under the Command of the Police Direc-
torate of the area of TIRANE Komitet is located on ELBASAN Str. The fire-brigade is
also equipped with 4 fire-trucks.

- An unknown number of police men and firemen is stationed in STALIN factory. Other info
unknown.

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CHAPTER '6'
POLITICAL CONDITIONS -INTERIOR

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State Administration and Division of Services

Abania is divided in the following Qark Komitet: TIRANE, DURRES, SHKODER, PESHKOPI, ELBASSAN, BERRAT, VLONE, ARGYROKASTRON, KORCE.

The Qark Komitet are under the People's Parliament and are divided in Komitet Reth(arae,district) and Komitet of Towns(equivalent to District Komitet).

A Qark Komitet is organized as follows:

- Presidium(composition unknown)
- Plans Section
- Settling Agriculture and Forests
- Section of Finance
 - " Personnel
 - " Health
 - " Education
 - " Commerce
 - " Communications
 - " Reconstruction
 - " Lokalitet of POLICAN. This belongs to the ARGYROKASTRON Komitet.

-Education .

Following is a list of Colleges in TIRANE.

- Polytecnic
- Schoolteachers Institute
- Doctors Assistants
- Middle Grade Technical School
- " " Accountants
- Schoolteachers College
- Agricultural "
- Midwife school
- Three High schools
- In SOPIK there is a 7 Grade Grammar School with Unike. Other information Unknown.

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Churches

There are two Greek Orht. churches in Tirane, viz. the church of HAGHIOS ~~MYKOLAKIS~~ PROKOPIOS and of our LADY of ANNUNCIATION(EVANGELISMOS TIS THEOTOKOU). The priests officiate in Albanian in both churches.

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Churches

-There are two churches in SOPIK, viz. the KIMISSIS TIS THEOTOKOU and the church of HAGHION TAXIARCHON. There are six chapels as well, of 1. ~~HAGHIOU~~ ~~KEMEKIOU~~ 2. HAGHIOU MINA 3. HAGHIOU NIKOLAOU 4. PROFITOU ELIA 5. HAGHIOU DEMETRIOU 6. HAGHIOU GEORGIU 6. HAGHIOU VASSILIOU.

Freedom of the performance of religious duties.

Although there is freedom to perform religious duties in Albania, few old people frequent the churches. This is the result of propaganda influence on the younger generation who never visit the holy places. When young or middle-aged people attempt to go to church they are criticized or scoffed by the young people and this makes them reticent in the performance of their duty.

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Social Welfare.

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a. State Hospitals

- Every Lokalitet maintains a hospital.
- Likewise a male nurse is maintained in each village to render First Aid services to the patients.
- In TIRANE, on DIBRA Str., there are two Hospitals, one military and the other civilian. There is also a clinic for the treatment of teeth and another one of obstetret obstetrics.
- The military Hospital is a two-storied building approx. 100X25X10 m and two small, one-storied houses as well.
- The Civilian Hospital consists of 10-12 two-storied buildings.

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PARTY ACTIVITIES

SOPIK is organized in KOV(sic)

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Youth Organization. There is an organization with approx. 20 members

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TIRANA Youth Organization.

All youths organized in the Youth org. receive, on Sundays, rifle lessons and motor-bike driving lessons. Target practice is included.

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CHAPTER FOURFINANCIAL CONDITIONSECONOMYAgriculture

SOPIK produces wheat, corn (maize), barley, grapes, legumes, cherries, nuts, figs. Quantities unknown

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Cooperatives

SOPIK is not organized into a Cooperative. It is rumoured that it will be organized during the 5 year plan of 1956-1960.

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-Following is a list of villages organized into cooperatives:

GLINE (DK 395258)

SKORIADES (DK 460399)

SOUCHA (DK 368364)

Stock FarmingSOPIK

There are : 600-700 sheep and goats

Approx. 80 cattle

Food-Supply ConditionsPrices of various goods

<u>Description</u>	<u>Special (Sic)</u>	<u>Free Market</u>
Wheat	60 Lek per Kgm	75 Lek per Kgm
Maize	45 " "	60 " "
Macaroni	100 " "	

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Price List-continued

<u>Description</u>	<u>Spezial(sic)</u>	<u>Free Market</u>
Beans	80 Lek per Kgm	90 Lek per Kgm
Chick-peas	65 "	100 "
Potatoes	40 " During season price decreases to 15 Lek.	
Rice	135 "	
Sugar	200 "	
Meat	160 "	200 "
Bread,white	60 "	
Bread,brown	52 "	
Butter	550-600 "	
Cheese Feta	220 "	
Cheese,hard	300 "	
Jam	80-100 "	
Biscuits(crackers)	120-140 "	
Candy	250-300 "	
Coffee	1000 "	
Soap	160 "	
Oil	400 "	
Salt	10 "	
Kerosene	40 "	
Shoes,men's,local	1000	
" f imported	2000-3500	
Shirts,local	400	
" imported	1250	
T-shirts	160	
Under pants	150	
Men's Suit,local	6000	
" " imported	10000-20000	
Wrist watches	3000-24000 lek	

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Auto-Park of TIRANE.Wages

Apprentice technician	45 Lek
Technician's Assistant 'B'	86 "
" " 'C'	100 "
" " 'D'	117 "
" " 'E'	141 "
" " 'F'	160-170 "
" " 'G'	202 "

Technician Assistants of E,F,G, grade are considered accomplished technicians.

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Above mentioned wages fluctuate according to the individual's capacity (above or below "Norma")

INDUSTRYWar Industry.

a revolver ammunition factory was built in ELBASSAN, two years ago. 25X1

Other information unknown.

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CHAPTER FIVECOMMUNICATIONSVEHICLES

In Albania all civilian automobiles are state owned; and are organized in auto-cooperatives (buses-trucks). The headquarters of the cooperative with its installations, garage etc is called PARK. All PARKS are under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Transport and are listed as follows:

PARK of TIRANE, DURRES, SHKODER, ELBASSAN, KORCE, BERAT, VLONE, GJINOKASTER (Hqs in SA-

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in SARANDE),MATI.

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TIRRANE PARK

It is organized as follows:

Board of Directors(Director:Thoma Fnu KROMIDAS and 3 Asst Directors-Section Chiefs)

Personnel Section:Directed by Isliam METANI.

Accounting "

Secretariat " :Directed by Bairam SPAHIU.

Confidential Reports Section

Transportation "

Efficiency(of personnel) "

Cashier's Section :Vil ZADRIMA,chief cashier

Supply " (Spare-parts and fuel)

Technical "

Bus PARK(with 53 buses and 22 taxi cabs):Vageli NINIS,chief.

Truck PARK:Ramasan RAPI,chief.

Repair Section

-Out of the 53 buses,seven are SKODA model of approx.50 seats; ten are IKARUS model of approx.30 seats [redacted] three MAVAG.Above buses are used for transportation in the city.In addition there are 10 GAZ MCLOTOV for mail purposes(TI-RANE district) and are always escorted by twi Sigurimis.

Out of 120 trucks,40 are SKODA model of 5-8 Tons;60 are ZIZ of 3 Tons and 20 are FIAT of 10 tons.

Out of the taxi-cabs,10 are SKODA of Check origin;8 are IFA German;2 POMPETA Russian and 2 TATRAPLIAN Check.

The IKARUS were brought from Hungary via Yougoslavia and the SKODAS from Checkoslovakia the same way.

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-The repair-shop employs approx.200 technicians and assistants and is organized as follows:

- Welding Section(oxygen and electric power)
- Lathe "
- Motor repair Section
- Battery charging "
- Carpenter's "
- Blacksmiths "

Other information unknown.

TIRANE driving school.

There is a driver's training school in TIRANE.Period of training is 6 months for gasoline burning motors and one year for Diesel engined autos.The school is under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Transports.Trainees are usually furnished from the PARKS.Training consists of driving lessons,traffic regulations,the engine and repair of minor troubles.Upon completion of training gasoline^{-car}engined drivers are used in gasoline trucks.After two years of such service they are entitled to reenter school and get the Diesel engine licence after an additional training of 3 months. Only experienced drivers are used in buses.Other information unknown.

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CHAPTER SIXFOREIGN POLICY POLICYInternational Relations

In April 1955, 50 drivers headed by TIRANE PARK Assistant-Director Ramasan RAPI, all C. Party members, went to MONASTERION in Yugoslavia and picked up 50 SKODA trucks which were driven to Tirana via KORCE. The trucks had been brought to MONASTERION from Czechoslovakia on rail. Likewise a group of 30 drivers brought 30 SKODA from the same town and via the same way, towards the end of April. They were headed by the same officer. In July 1955, 13 IKARUS vehicles were brought from Hungary, the same way.

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CHAPTER SEVENGEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATIONVillages and towns

The town of TIRANE has a population of 120,000 and is supplied with water from the SELITA (DL 0677) aqueduct. Electric power is conveyed from LELIN (sic) power plant.

-The village of SOPIK (DK 5038) has approx. 200 houses, 700 inhabitants. 250 are male. The village is supplied with water from springs and burns oil or kerosene lamps. Other information unknown.

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